

186th PTA  
Dads Attend  
Night Meet

More than 70, many of them dads, attended the November meeting of 186th Street P.T.A. last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Edith Meskimen, program chairman, presented a panel discussion on "Are Our Children Learning to Read?" Representing the parents was Joe Knight and the 186th Street School teachers, William Loftus and M. R. Littlefield. A brief discussion period followed with Mrs. Maty J. Hawks, school principal, as moderator. Many stimulating ideas were exchanged.

Refreshments were served by Hostesses Mesdames Harold Sprankle, Wilbert Earley, Virgil Diek, James Holderoff, D. W. TenEyck and Leo Harlan.

Board members met the previous day at the home of President Mrs. James A. Gauley, where plans for a Christmas program and treat were discussed.

SCOUT MOTHERS OF TROOP 610 ATTEND EVENING MEETING

Members of the Mothers Club of Girl Scout Troop 610 met Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Samuel Webb, 1003 Cota avenue. Mrs. Carl J. Gramling assisted as cohostess.

Present were Mesdames Keith Jones, Belle Phillips, LeRoy Armstrong, Howard Schott, Rose Morris, Albert Elder, James Donald, Walter Zuver, Schweinick, Paulin and the hostesses.

Feature of the evening was an interesting talk by Leader Mrs. Keith Jones, who reported on the recent Girl Scout convention at Monterey.

Mrs. Jones will entertain the club at her home for the next meeting.

CHARM OF SQUARE, OLD-FASHIONED DANCES REPORTED

Square and old-fashioned dancing is sweeping the country. Business and professional men as well as secretaries and housewives . . . teen-agers, mechanics and clerks are finding these dances full of charm, romance, fun and a grand outlet for pent-up emotions with exercise that results in sound sleep after dancing two or three hours in an evening.

Women's Activities ...

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NEW TORRANCE GROUP—The recently organized Opti-Mrs. Club, whose objective is to befriend children, will be headed by the following officers: left to right, Mmes. Estalleen Battle, vice president; Bernice Sykes, president; Jerry Richhart, treasurer; Florence Paltridge, member of the executive board, and Louise Sheldon, secretary-treasurer. Club members include wives, sisters, and widows of the Torrance Optimists, one of the city's newer clubs.

PTA Members Hear Round Table Topics

A round-table discussion with faculty members and parents taking part highlighted the Norment School P.T.A. morning meeting Wednesday.

Miss Vera Fisher, school nurse, spoke on "Health of School Children" and gave parents information regarding the various clinics available to their children.

Wiere Pierson, principal, introduced the faculty members and Mrs. J. R. Waechter presided. The meeting was held at the Harbor City School but Principal Pierson told the members it would not be too long before they would be in their own building which is expected to be completed Dec. 7. Open house is set for Dec. 16, he stated, and the faculty and students will move in by Jan. 1. He also gave a word picture of the lighting facilities, the shades of paint used in the various classrooms and other appointments which are in keeping with the modern mode of building materials and decoration.

Mrs. J. J. Huffman, membership chairman, announced that 152 members are enrolled in the P.T.A.

Kindergarten mothers were hostesses during the refreshment hour with Mrs. Walter McCartney and Mrs. Kyle Gordon serving coffee, tea and doughnuts from the well-appointed table. Marigolds were used on the lace cloth for a centerpiece and silver service for serving.

Attend Dinner and Musical

Dr. and Mrs. W. I. Laughon and her mother, Mrs. L. Ahrens, were recent Sunday dinner guests of Ilona Massey and her husband, Jay Kurtz, at their spacious Laurel Canyon home.

Climax of the enjoyable affair, attended by approximately 60 guests, was a musicale featuring Noel Cravatt and Andree Villox, baritone; Gilberto Isais, pianist and composer; Klara de Corba, soloist and the talented hostess, Miss Massey, who sang to the accompaniment of Gilberto Isais.

Many Projects Planned by New Torrance Group

Proceeds of a recent successful rummage sale will swell the treasury of the Opti-Mrs. Club and will be used for a Christmas party for children.

Organized with welfare of children as their objective, the Torrance women have been busy with plans and activities to this end.

Toys and goodies will be distributed by an Optimist Santa Claus, the ladies stated following their recent meeting at the home of Mrs. Estalleen Battle, vice president.

Incidental Intelligence: An Eighth Street delicatessen is displaying a sign advertising "Delicious Ice Cubes on Sale Here." —The New Yorker.

Contributions of used toys, materials, for making stuffed animals or Christmas stockings, will be appreciated. Donors may call Torrance 2614 to have their gifts picked up.

Club Members at Luncheon

Members of Mrs. C. C. Schultz's bridge club were her guests at a delightful fall luncheon Thursday afternoon. Dusty rose chrysanthemums, attractively arranged, formed the centerpiece for the table, set for eight guests.

Prize winners at contract were Mesdames J. R. Klink, Sr., and R. J. Deininger.

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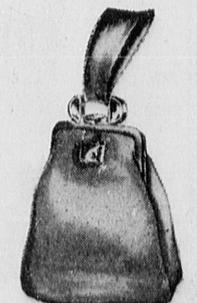
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